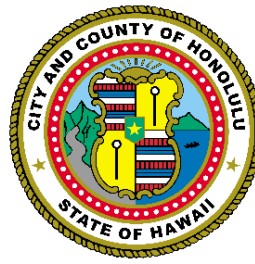




Sandy Beach Park  
(Wāwāmalu)



## MO'OLELO PĀKA

### Parks and Recreation Newsletter *January 2022*

Known for its thundering shore break, scenic coastal views, and excellent surfing/fishing, this nearly 33-acre beach park stretches from the Hālonā Blowhole in the west to Wāwāmalu Beach in the east. [On Jan. 25, we recognized the continued efforts to conserve](#) this coastal ecosystem by numerous government, non-profit, and community groups; including the recent installation of these boulders designed to restrict the illegal beach off-roading which threatened the dune ecosystem and the wildlife which call it home.

“We add quality to life!”



#### **Your Opinion of Outdoor Courts**

To gather community input ahead of proposed rule changes, an online survey was launched to gather your mana'o! By the end of the survey period over 1,800 entries were recorded. Mahalo to all of those who took the time to participate!

#### **The City is Hiring**

On Jan. 26, the City held an in-person and virtual job fair for some 2,000 available jobs across all City departments. For Parks & Rec, we're hiring: Recreation Directors, a Tree Trimmer, Plumbers, Groundskeepers, a Plant Nursery Worker, and a high-ranking Park Planner.

#### **Spring Program in Full Swing!**

A combination of online and in-person park classes are available as part of our Spring Program! Registration was successful, with all classes listed on our website: [pros.hnl.info](http://pros.hnl.info). There are still some openings left, so check them out today!

#### **Mural Honors Fallen Lifeguards**

With the talent of local muralists, and donations from Worldwide Walls & the Creative City, vibrant artwork now surround the eastern bathroom building at Sandys, paying homage to Ocean Safety Lifeguards Joy Mills-Ferren & Josh Guerra.

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## Kākou for Parks Updates:

This unparalleled program continues to revitalize our aging and most popular facilities island-wide, resulting in 185 different parks improved. See more at [bit.ly/KakouforParks](https://bit.ly/KakouforParks)



DeCorte Neighborhood Park



Makiki District Park



Waiau Neighborhood Park

# 132

New & Refurbished Play Apparatus

# 138

Renovated Comfort Stations

# 541

Resurfaced Play Courts



Petrie Community Park

**Mahalo to our outstanding employee!**



## Nick Pulido

Overseeing our premiere swimming facility at the K. Mark Takai Veterans Memorial Aquatics Center, Nick's professionalism and preparedness constantly ensure the pool facilities run safely and fairly. During the tumultuous pandemic changes, Nick willingly put in the extra time to research and develop the proper techniques for operating a healthy outdoor pool. Even practicing procedures and assisting his coworkers during personal time. His creativity and independent

## Pickleball Courts Popping Up All Over!

As part of our Kākou for Parks program we are giving our outdoor play courts new life and function as we re-purpose them to accommodate the fastest growing sport in the country! Currently we have added **161 courts at 86 parks**, even adding some dedicated courts at select parks. Check out the location of all of our pickleball courts by visiting: